

Pondicherry Park Stewardship Committee Public Record

Meeting was held on March 26, 2015 in Board of Selectmen room

Present: Bernie King, Selectman and recorder, Doug Taft, Selectman, Town Manager Bob Peabody, Adam Perron, Chair and LELT, Jon Evans, LEA, Leigh Hayes, LEA alternate, Alan Erler, LELT.

Absent: Brian Cushing

Invited: Honor Smith, Bridgton public library, Dan Edwards who has applied to be the Town alternate

Chair Adam called meeting to order at 4:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance recited

Approval of public record of Feb 26, 2015. Motion by Doug to accept, 2nd by Leigh, 4-yes, 2 abstained (Doug & Alan not at last meeting)

Old right of way: Discussion held regarding the right of way with former Dr. Gluck building & town attorney Dick Spencer opinion that was presented by Town Manager

Trail accessibility : Jon will present more at next meeting. Short discussion ensued. Question raised about brail on signs or notices. Doug recommended the accessibility of trails be put into the brochure. If we can't do it now, maybe in the future. Adam made motion to put this into trail map but shouldn't interrupt the present timeline. Second by Doug. 4- yes to approve- Jon, Leigh and Dan couldn't vote. Motion passed.

Library presentation : Honor Smith arrived at 4:53 PM. Discussion started about "Story Book Trail" from March – Oct or Nov. Adam mentioned it should only be on one trail, maybe Pondicherry Loop trail and had concerns these would be up continually for the months. This was not and has not been approved by this committee. Doug concern of having everything natural, Bernie concern of setting precedence. Adam suggested only have a week designated for this. Bernie made motion to table until next meeting. Second by Doug. 4 Yes to table.

Park brochure: Discussed both the brochure by LEA and the one by Bridgton Recreation Dept. Some changes suggested:

1. Remove parking icon by former Dr. Gluck building

2. wording changes on paragraph entitled “ Pondicherry Park”
3. Limited accessibility piece put in Rules and Regulations
4. Waste be put in Rules and Regulation
5. Removing the word “Please” in rules but Doug suggested leaving it in and see how it works
6. other editing suggestions discussed

Discussion about donations and where they should go. Bernie will check with Town Manager on this for separability. Alan made motion to have Town purchase and pay for installation of donation box at kiosk. Cost of \$150, second by Bernie, 3-yes (Bernie, Alan and Adam)

Adjourned: 5:53 PM